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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)		Docket Number (Optional)
<p>First Named Inventor: <u>Thomas Louis Russo</u> Art Unit: <u>1772</u></p> <p>Application Number: <u>09/911,949</u> Examiner: <u>PATRICIA L. NORDMEYER</u></p> <p>Filed: <u>07/24/2001</u></p> <p>Title: <u>Reusable Inflatable Zone Packing Pad</u> RECEIVED</p> <p>Attention: Office of Petitions Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p>FEB 03 2004 OFFICE OF PETITIONS</p> <p>NOTE: If information or assistance is needed in completing this form, please contact Petitions Information at (703) 305-9382.</p> <p>The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus any extensions of time actually obtained.</p> <p>APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION. NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) Petition fee.(2) Reply and/or issue fee.(3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee-required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and(4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay. <p>1. Petition fee</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small entity - fee \$ <u>55.00</u> (37 CFR 1.17(l)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other than small entity - fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(l)).</p> <p>2. Reply and/or fee</p> <p>A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of _____ (identify the type of reply):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been filed previously on <u>6/17/03 - 9/19/03 - 10/31/03 - 1/6/04</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.</p> <p>B. The issue fee of \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> has been filed previously on _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.</p>		

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- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

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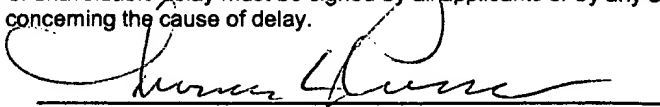
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(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply.)

Based on communication with John Le Hugaden Assistant to Commissioner of Patents Mr. Nicholas Godici, at the time of call (January 2004) and communication with Jackie Stone, Director of Art Group Unit 1700, I submit this Petition and Fee of \$55⁰⁰ as per their direction in order to continue the application process.

The abandonment suggests that no reply was given since March 19, 2003 when in fact complete and exhaustive responses were communicated that are documented for June 17, 2003, September 19, 2003, October 31, 2003, and January 6, 2004.

Thank you

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